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1. ON OCTOBER 13 BUSHNELL OF CARIBBEAN TASK FORCE DISCUSSED CONSULTATIVE GROUP PLANNING AND STATUS WITH DUFF, HEAD UK FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICE WEST INDIES AND ATLANTIC AFFAIRS, WHO IN WASHINGTON ON OTHER BUSINESS.

2. KEY POINTS IN OUR UP-DATE WERE: THAT WORLD BANK IS

NOW PREPARING PAPER INDICATING HOW CONSULTATIVE GROUP WOULD WORK; US IS CONSULTING WITH POTENTIAL RECIPIENT COUNTRIES; US IS AWAITING REPLY FROM CANADIANS ON TIMING FOR JOINT US/CANADA VISIT TO LONDON HOPEFULLY TO BE FOLLOWED BY UK/CANADA/US VISITS TO KEY EUROPEAN CAPITALS; US HOPES A CONFERENCE CAN BE HELD IN DECEMBER TO LAUNCH CONSULTATIVE GROUP; TENTATIVE IBRD/US THINKING IS THAT CONSULTATIVE GROUP FORMAT WOULD BE FIRST DAY OF DISCUSSION REGIONAL PROBLEMS AND REGIONAL PROJECTS AND SUPPORT CDB FOLLOWED BY SECOND DAY ON WHICH INTERESTED DONORS WOULD MEET WITH INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES TO DISCUSS THEIR SITUATIONS AND REVIEW COUNTRY PROJECT LISTS.

3. DUFF SAID UK BELIEVES ESTABLISHMENT FRAMEWORK FOR GREATER COOPERATION AMONG CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES IS ESSENTIAL AND EFFORT WHICH DESERVES SUPPORT EVERYONE; PRIDE AND LIMITED HORIZONS OF SMALLER STATES MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT AND COULD PRESENT PROBLEMS IN SUCCESS ENTERPRISE; IMPORTANT TO MAKE CLEAR TO MINI-STATES THAT THEIR INTERESTS WILL BE PROTECTED.

4. BUSHNELL SAID PRELIMINARY IBRD THINKING IS THAT INITIAL RECIPIENT LIST WOULD INCLUDE THOSE CARIBBEAN STATES WHICH MEMBERS OF IBRD BUT THAT ADDITIONS WOULD BE MADE AT REQUEST ANY IBRD MEMBER WHICH RESPONSIBLE FOR NON-INDEPENDENT STATE. DUFF SAID UK WOULD REQUEST ALL TERRITORIES FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WHICH IT RESPONSIBLE BE INCLUDED.

5. BUSHNELL SAID PRELIMINARY TASK FORCE THINKING IS THAT US OFFICIAL, PROBABLY MEMBER TASK FORCE, SHOULD TRY TO VISIT MOST OF MINI-STATES DURING NOVEMBER TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE IN MIND. DUFF URGED SUCH VISIT SAYING IT WOULD HELP GREATLY TO ASSURE SMALL STATES DO NOT SEE CONSULTATIVE GROUP AS EFFORT HELP BIGGER COUNTRIES AT THEIR EXPENSE. SAID GOVERNORS WOULD FACILITATE VISITS AND SUGGESTED PLANNING BE COORDINATED WITH UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON AND US EMBASSY BRIDGETOWN.

6. DUFF SAID IT ESSENTIAL MINI-STATES BE QUOTE FORCED UNQUOTE TO ORGANIZE COMMON SERVICES. BUSHNELL SAID US AGREED AND BELIEVES CONSULTATIVE GROUP IS WAY ALL DONORS CAN MAKE CLEAR ESTABLISHMENT SUCH SERVICES ESSENTIAL TO OBTAIN SIGNIFICANT FOREIGN ASSISTANCE. VANCE

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